

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

--~~The present invention concerns a A~~ method of transmitting blocks of data, in which, for at least one of [[said]] the blocks of data, at least one parameter associated with this block of data is transmitted, [[said]] the parameter representing the relative importance of the block of data associated with this parameter within the message transmitted by all the blocks of data, ~~characterised in that the~~ The data [[are]] is coded by means of a channel coding method which does not take into account [[said]] the parameter. Correlatively, the invention also concerns a decoding method associated with this transmission method. This way, data judged to be more important than ~~others~~ other data may benefit from a channel decoding of higher quality. Application The methods described herein have application to devices and appliances implementing these methods.

Figure for the Abstract: none--